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Developed Campground Phase Two Reopening Strategy in Response to COVID-19

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Montanans have succeeded in limiting the spread and impacts of COVID-19 by working together and following guidance that has been provided. This has presented an opportunity to move to Phase 2 of the Reopening the Big Sky strategy. A directive issued by the governor on May 19 specifically allows for resumption of outdoor recreation. With specific planning, this can include developed campgrounds. Please note the following requirements for Phase Two beginning Monday, June 1, 2020:

- Assess the health of all employees at the beginning of each shift. Anyone with symptoms of COVID-19 must be sent home. These include cough, difficulty breathing, fever, repeated shaking with chills, chills, body aches, headache, sore throat and new loss of taste or smell.
- 2. Avoid gathering in groups of more than 50 people in circumstances that do not readily allow for appropriate physical distancing of at least 6 feet between individuals.
- 3. Maintain physical distance between groups.
- 4. Strongly encourage the use of cloth face masks by staff and the public.
- 5. Follow frequent sanitizing protocols.

Lewis and Clark Public Health has the following additional **guidance** to help protect staff and campers from disease.

- I. **Develop a written plan** to manage Phase Two operations. Be sure to address any issues unique to your operations and location.
- 2. Support respiratory etiquette and hand hygiene for employees and campers.
 - a. Frequently and thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water for at least 20 seconds. If soap and running water are not immediately available, use alcohol-based hand rub containing at least 60% alcohol.
 - b. Provide tissues and no-touch disposal receptacles.
 - c. Discourage handshaking and encourage the use of other noncontact methods of greeting.
 - d. Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
- 3. Strongly encourage or require the use of cloth face masks that fully cover the mouth and nose.

- a. A cloth face covering will help contain any respiratory droplets from the wearer and protect other people from infection. You can spread COVID-19 to others even if you do not feel sick.
- b. The cloth face cover is not a substitute for physical distancing and good personal hygiene.
- c. You can make cloth face coverings at home or purchase them. If you want to make your own face mask, links to reliable sources for patterns can be found on our web page. www.lccountymt.gov/covid-19
- 4. Require physical distancing among employees and campers.
 - a. Consider the use of physical barriers between employees and the public.
 - b. Where possible, prevent employees from using other workers' phones, computers/keyboards, desks, office equipment, or other work tools and equipment. If this is not possible, clean between users. Use approved disinfectants.
 - c. Limit the number of people in offices and public buildings to allow for 6-foot separation.
 - d. Strongly discourage co-mingling between separate camping groups.
- 5. **Routinely clean and sanitize** all high-touch surfaces in public areas, such as door handles, handrails, counters.
 - a. Clean and sanitize shared equipment between users.
 - b. Use the cleaning agents that you usually use in these areas, and follow the directions on the labels.
 - c. A list of sanitizers effective for COVID-19 is located on the EPA website: https://www.epa.gov/pesticide-registration/list-n-disinfectants-use-against-sars-cov-2. Be sure to strictly follow specified contact times and mix rates.
 - d. Clean and sanitize public areas. This would include restrooms, bathhouses, pit privies, and laundry rooms.
 - i. Use appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) while cleaning. At a minimum this would include:
 - I. Disposable gloves
 - 2. Cloth Face mask
 - 3. Disposable apron
 - ii. These areas must be cleaned at least daily or more often if heavily used. <u>Try not to touch unsanitized surfaces.</u>
 - iii. Clean floors, walls, all surfaces of fixtures, and hand-contact surfaces with an appropriate cleaner and disinfectant.

If you have questions or need technical assistance, please call Lewis and Clark Public Health at 457-8900. Thank you for helping to protect our community from COVID-19.

If you suspect Coronavirus, contact your medical provider.

For a link to this document and other local informa	tion: www.lccountymt.gov/covid-19